

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION

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Michael N. Milby, Clerk of Court

In re: The GNI Group, Inc., et al,	Jointly Administered Under Case No. 00-38458-H2-11
Debtors.	(Chapter 11)
(The GNI Group, Inc.)	00-38458-H2-11
(GNI Chemicals Corporation)	00-38459-H2-11
(Disposal Systems, Inc.)	00-38460-H2-11
(Disposal Systems of Corpus Christi, Inc.)	00-38461-H2-11
(Resource Transportation Services, Inc.)	00-38462-H2-11
(GNI Technical Services, Inc.)	00-38463-H2-11
(Gulf Nuclear of Louisiana, Inc.)	00-38464-H2-11

**ORDER FOR COMPENSATION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
ON FIRST INTERIM APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES
RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED BY
LOCAL COUNSEL FOR DEBTORS-IN-POSSESSION FOR THE PERIOD OF
SEPTEMBER 1, 2000 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2000**

CAME ON for consideration, the First Interim Application for Compensation for Services Rendered and Reimbursement of Expenses Incurred by Local Counsel for the Debtors-in-Possession from September 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000 filed by W. Steve Smith on behalf of W. Steve Smith, P.C. (hereinafter referred to as "Applicant"), Local Counsel for The GNI Group, Inc., GNI Chemicals Corporation, Disposal Systems, Inc., Disposal Systems of Corpus Christi, Inc., Resource Transportation Services, Inc., GNI Technical Services, Inc., and Gulf Nuclear of Louisiana, Inc., Debtors-in-Possession, ("GNI"), which included an exhibit, reciting the number of hours worked for GNI and containing a description of the time expended for GNI from September 1, 2000 through December 31, 2001, and the Court finding that notice of said Application has been disseminated by said Applicant to the Debtor, all creditors of the

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estate, and all parties-in-interest who have filed a request with the court that notice be mailed to them, which notice included the statement that Attorney fees were being applied for and designating the amount in such Application, and the Court further determining that the amount of Applicant's fees and expense reimbursement should be awarded, because of the following factors:

- (1) The time and labor required;
- (2) The novelty and difficulty of the issues;
- (3) The skills requisite for performing the consulting services properly;
- (4) The preclusion of other employment by the consultant due to acceptance of the case;
- (5) The customary fees;
- (6) Whether the fee is fixed or contingent;
- (7) Time limitation imposed by the client or other circumstances;
- (8) The amount involved and the results obtained;
- (9) The experience, reputation and ability of the consultant;
- (10) The "undesirability" of the case;
- (11) The nature and length of the professional relationship with the client; and
- (12) Awards in similar cases;

and the Court further finding that the services detailed by the Applicant in its Application were performed by it and that the performance of such services benefited the estate of the Debtor, creditors and all parties-in-interest; it is therefore

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that W. Steve Smith, P.C. as local counsel for The GNI Group, Inc., GNI Chemicals Corporation, Disposal Systems, Inc., Disposal Systems of Corpus Christi, Inc., Resource Transportation Services, Inc., GNI Technical Services, Inc., and Gulf Nuclear of Louisiana, Inc., Debtors-in-Possession, should be and is hereby awarded and GNI is authorized to pay, fees of \$33,941.50 as reasonable compensation for the services rendered and the total sum of \$2,807.15 as reimbursement for the expenses incurred in the proceedings.

SIGNED this 9th day of April, 2001.

Wesley W. Steen
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE